IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A composition Composition comprising

i) at least one radiation-absorbing tert-alkylphenoxy-substituted polycyclic compound

A of the general formula I

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ \hline P & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ Hal_m & & & \\ \end{array}$$

where

P is a conjugated polycyclic radical which is stable to bases and nucleophiles, optionally bears aryl substituents and contains no group from the group consisting of -CO-NH-CO-, -COOH and -CO-O-CO-;

R is C_1 - C_8 -alkyl, whose wherein the carbon chain of said C_1 - C_8 -alkyl may be interrupted by one or more groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -NR¹-, -CO- and -SO₂- and which may be monosubstituted or polysubstituted by identical or different radicals selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_6 -alkoxy and a 5- to 7-membered heterocyclic radical which is attached via a nitrogen atom and may contain further heteroatoms and/or may be aromatic; or R is C_5 - C_8 -cycloalkyl, whose wherein the carbon framework of said C_1 - C_8 -cycloalkyl may be interrupted by one or more groups selected from the group consisting of -O-, -S-, -NR¹-, -CO- and -SO₂- and which may be monosubstituted or polysubstituted by C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

 R^1 is hydrogen or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl;

Hal is chlorine and/or or bromine or mixtures thereof;

m is from 0 to 15; and

n is from 1 to 16, subject to the proviso that wherein the sum m + n is ≤ 16

and

- ii) at least one curable IR-reflecting component B which comprises
- a) at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral polymerizable monomer;
 - b) at least one cholesteric polymerizable monomer;
 - c) at least one cholesteric crosslinkable polymer; or
 - d) at least one cholesteric polymer in a polymerizable diluent.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): A composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the group said P in [[a]] said compound A of the general formula I is a base-stable radical selected from the group consisting of naphthalenes, anthracenes, phenanthrenes, tetracenes, perylenes, terrylenes, quatterylenes, pentarylenes, hexarylenes, anthraquinones, indanthrones, N-substituted naphthalene-1,8-dicarboxylic monoimides, N,N'-disubstituted naphthalene-1,8:4,5-tetracarboxylic diimides, N-substituted perylene-3,4-dicarboxylic monoimides, N,N'-disubstituted perylene-3,4:9,10-tetracarboxylic diimides, N,N'-disubstituted terrylene-3,4:11,12-tetracarboxylic diimides, N,N'-disubstituted quaterrylene-3,4:13,14-tetracarboxylic diimides, acridines, carbazoles, dibenzofurans, dinaphthofurans, benzimidazoles, benzothiazoles, phenazines, dioxazines, quinacridones, metal phthalocyanines, metal naphthalocyanines, metal porphyrins, cumarins, dibenzofuranones, dinaphthofuranones, benzimidazolones, indigo compounds, thioindigo compounds, quinophthalones, naphthoquinophthalones and diketopyrrolopyrroles.

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Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in any of the preceding elaims claim 1, which comprises from 0.01 to 20% by weight of said compound A, based on the total weight of empound said component B.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in any of the preceding elaims claim 1, wherein said component B comprises at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral polymerizable monomer.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The composition as claimed in any of the preceding elaims claim 1, which further comprises at least one auxiliary selected from the group consisting of photoinitiators, binders, leveling agents, and UV stabilizers, and weathering stabilizers, and mixtures thereof.

Claim 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A heat-insulating coating comprising at least one oriented, cured layer of [[a]] said composition as claimed in any of claims 1 to 5 claim 1.

Claim 8 (Original): A heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 7, which comprises at least one oriented, IR-reflecting, cured cholesteric polymer which has a helical superstructures pitch which corresponds to a wavelength in the IR spectral range.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 8, which comprises at least two layers, wherein said at least two layers each comprise an the IR-reflecting polymers in the different layers each polymer having different helical

superstructures pitches which correspond to wavelengths in the IR spectral range, and/or or opposite chiralities; or different helical superstructures pitches which correspond to wavelengths in the IR spectral range and opposite chiralities.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A process for producing a heat-insulating coating as claimed in claim 7 or 8, which comprises applying to a substrate [[a]] said composition as claimed in any of claims 1 to 5 claim 1, and, if desired optionally, orienting said composition and curing said composition.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A process as claimed in claim 10, wherein <u>said</u>
curing is carried out by polymerizing the monomers of groups a) or b) or the solvent of group
d) <u>said at least one achiral nematic polymerizable monomer and at least one chiral</u>
polymerizable monomer; or <u>said at least one cholesteric polymerizable monomer</u>; or <u>said</u>
polymerizable diluent, or crosslinking of the polymer of group e) <u>said at least one cholesteric</u>
crosslinkable polymer.

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): An article having thereon comprising a heatinsulating coating as claimed in any of claims 7 to 9 claim 7.